GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA

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Conservation of Folk Art and Tradition
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government considers that conservation of ancient folk tradition and folk literature is necessary for conservation of culture;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government for conservation of different folk traditions and folk literatures of India?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (I/C) FOR CULTURE AND TOURISM
AND MINISTER OF STATE FOR CIVIL AVIATION

(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

(a) Yes, Madam.

(b) & (c) The Government of India operates a number of schemes and conducts various activities through its several organizations including seven Zonal Cultural Centres (ZCCs) with headquarters at Patiala, Nagpur, Udaipur, Allahabad, Kolkata, Dimapur and Thanjavur for conservation of different folk traditions and folk literatures of India. The Ministry conducts a number of programmes/schemes like Award to Young Talented Artistes, Guru Shishya Parampara Scheme, Theatre Rejuvenation Scheme, Research & Documentation Scheme, Shilpgram Scheme, Octave and J&K Festivals and National Cultural Exchange Programme (NCEP) for this purpose.